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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

Claim 1 (cancelled)

Claim 2 (cancelled)

Claim 3 (cancelled)

Claim 4 (cancelled)

Claim 5 (cancelled)

Claim 6 (currently amended)

**A mobile hunting vessel comprising:**

- a) a hull;
- b) a first ballast chamber;
- c) an intake pumping means for delivering water into said first ballast chamber;
- d) an evacuation means for evacuating water from said first ballast chamber;
- e) a dry chamber located within said hull, said dry chamber adapted to allow a hunter to hunt from within said dry chamber while partially disposed below the water surface; and

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- f) ~~The mobile hunting vessel of claim 1, further comprising a valve~~  
connecting said first ballast chamber and said dry chamber, wherein said  
valve may be selectively opened to flood said dry chamber.

Claim 7 (cancelled)

Claim 8 (cancelled)

Claim 9 (cancelled)

Claim 10 (cancelled)

Claim 11 (cancelled)

Claim 12 (currently amended)

A mobile hunting vessel comprising:

- a) a hull, said hull comprising a bow and a stern;
- b) a fore ballast chamber located within said hull near said bow;
- c) an aft ballast chamber located within said hull near said stern;
- d) an intake pumping means for delivering water into said fore ballast chamber  
and said aft ballast chamber;
- e) an evacuation means for evacuating water from said fore ballast chamber  
and said aft ballast chamber;

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- f) a dry chamber located within said hull, said dry chamber adapted to allow a hunter to hunt from within said dry chamber while partially disposed below the water surface; and
- g) The mobile hunting vessel of claim 8, further comprising a valve connecting said aft ballast chamber and said dry chamber, wherein said valve may be selectively opened to flood said dry chamber.

Claim 13 (currently amended)

A mobile hunting vessel comprising:

- a) a hull, said hull comprising a bow and a stern;
- b) a fore ballast chamber located within said hull near said bow;
- c) an aft ballast chamber located within said hull near said stern;
- d) an intake pumping means for delivering water into said fore ballast chamber and said aft ballast chamber;
- e) an evacuation means for evacuating water from said fore ballast chamber and said aft ballast chamber;
- f) a dry chamber located within said hull, said dry chamber adapted to allow a hunter to hunt from within said dry chamber while partially disposed below the water surface; and

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g) ~~The mobile hunting vessel of claim 8, further comprising a valve~~

connecting said fore ballast chamber and said dry chamber, wherein said

valve may be selectively opened to flood said dry chamber.

Claim 14 (cancelled)

Claim 15 (cancelled)

Claim 16 (cancelled)

Claim 17 (cancelled)

Claim 18 (cancelled)

Claim 19 (currently amended)

A mobile hunting vessel comprising:

- a) a hull;
- b) a first ballast chamber;
- c) an intake pumping means for delivering water into said first ballast chamber;
- d) an evacuation means for evacuating water from said first ballast chamber;
- e) a dry chamber located within said hull, said dry chamber adapted to allow a hunter to hunt from within said dry chamber while partially disposed below the water surface;
- f) a motor; and

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- g) ~~The mobile hunting vessel of claim 14, further comprising a valve~~  
connecting said first ballast chamber and said dry chamber, wherein said  
valve may be selectively opened to flood said dry chamber.

Claim 20 (original)

A mobile hunting vessel comprising:

- a) a hull, said hull comprising a bow and a stern;
- b) a fore ballast chamber located within said hull near said bow;
- c) an aft ballast chamber located within said hull near said stern;
- d) an intake pumping means for delivering water into said fore ballast chamber  
and said aft ballast chamber;
- e) an evacuation means for evacuating water from said fore ballast chamber  
and said aft ballast chamber;
- f) a dry chamber located within said hull, said dry chamber adapted to allow a  
hunter to hunt from within said dry chamber while partially disposed below  
the water surface; and
- g) a motor.

Claim 21 (original)

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The mobile hunting vessel of claim 20, wherein said motor vertically adjusts to the level of said water surface.

Claim 22 (original)

The mobile hunting vessel of claim 20, wherein said fore ballast chamber and said aft ballast chamber are in fluid communication.

Claim 23 (original)

The mobile hunting vessel of claim 20, wherein said intake pumping means fills said fore ballast chamber and said aft ballast chamber, and said evacuation means evacuates said water from said fore ballast chamber and said aft ballast chamber.

Claim 24 (original)

The mobile hunting vessel of claim 20, said mobile hunting vessel further comprising a camouflaging means.

Claim 25 (original)

The mobile hunting vessel of claim 20, further comprising a valve connecting said aft ballast chamber and said dry chamber, wherein said valve may be selectively opened to flood said dry chamber.

Claim 26 (original)

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Mobile hunting vessel of claim 20, further comprising a valve connecting said fore ballast chamber and said dry chamber, wherein said valve may be selectively opened to flood said dry chamber.

Claim 27 (original)

A method for hunting game animals, said method comprising the steps of:

- (1) providing a mobile hunting vessel, said mobile hunting vessel comprising
  - (a) a hull;
  - (b) a first ballast chamber;
  - (c) an intake pumping means for delivering water into said first ballast chamber;
  - (d) an evacuation means for evacuating water from said first ballast chamber; and
  - (e) a dry chamber located within said hull;
- (2) moving said mobile hunting vessel to a desired hunting location;
- (3) partially submerging said hunting vessel by filling said first ballast chamber with said water; and
- (4) hunting said game animals from within said dry chamber.

Claim 28 (original)

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The method as described in claim 27, wherein said mobile hunting vessel further comprises a motor.

Claim 29 (original)

A method for hunting game animals, said method comprising the steps of:

- (1) providing a mobile hunting vessel, said mobile hunting vessel comprising
  - (a) a hull;
  - (b) a fore ballast chamber;
  - (c) an aft ballast chamber;
  - (d) an intake pumping means for delivering water into said fore ballast chamber and said aft ballast chamber;
  - (e) an evacuation means for evacuating water from said fore ballast chamber and said aft ballast chamber; and
  - (f) a dry chamber located within said hull;
- (2) moving said mobile hunting vessel to a desired hunting location;
- (3) partially submerging said hunting vessel by filling said fore ballast chamber and said aft ballast chamber with said water; and

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hunting said game animals from within said dry chamber.

Claim 30 (original)

The method as described in claim 29, wherein said mobile hunting vessel further comprises a motor.